Approved For Release 2007/03/03 : CIA-RDP71B00364R000200070017-1

CONFIDENTIAL

5 August 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: S. 782

1. Delivered to Miss Marcia MacNaughton and Mr. Lawrence M. Baskir, Senator Ervin's Constitutional Rights Subcommittee staff, a letter from the Director to Senator Ervin concerning classification review and publication of the Director's transcript of 22 July 1969 before the Subcommittee.

2. The letter was handed to Miss MacNaughton with the advice that it was the Director's desire the letter reach Senator Ervin this evening, if possible, and in any event that it be in his hands before the Subcommittee meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning. Miss MacNaughton advised that she understood and opened the letter. After reading it she inquired whether consideration had been given the question of review of the transcript by the 50-some cosponsors. The response was made that in all probability this specific question had not been considered, but that in any event the procedures available to the Subcommittee for handling classified documents, although more burdensome than handling unclassified matter, should allow for review by interested members of the Senate.

3. Miss MacNaughton next inquired whether the response to the Chairman's letter of 1 August concerning CIA and NSA policies regarding the use of personality tests had been completed. I advised that it was not ready and in all probability could not be completed and transmitted prior to the Subcommittee's meeting tomorrow morning. Miss MacNaughton indicated it would be appreciated if a verbal response could be provided the first thing in the morning and noted that the Subcommittee is most interested in whether there has been any change in policy since 1966. I advised that I would relay her question and call the first thing in the morning.

CONFIDENTIAL

Approved For Release 2007/03/03 : CIA-RDP71B00364R000200070017-1

Approved For Release 2007/03/03 : CIA-RDP71B00364R000200070017-1

4. Miss MacNaughton advised that Senator Bayh would be presenting the Agency's suggested amendment in the meeting tomorrow morning and inquired whether an amendment that would provide for White House determination of agencies to be exempted would be acceptable. I stated that while I was not in a position to reply for the Agency it was my opinion that ample precedent exists in the statutes for such an exemption. Miss MacNaughton noted further that if the Subcommittee was not able to reach a satisfactory conclusion to discussion on the bill, Chairman Ervin might well pass it on to the full Committee for their determination. It was not clear whether Miss MacNaughton was referring to the question of the exemption of the Agency, NSA, etc; publication of the transcript; or some other question not defined.

5. The meeting with Miss MacNaughton and Mr. Baskir, who joined us during the last several minutes, was most cordial. It was apparent that at least in the present context Miss MacNaughton is directing matters relating to the Subcommittee's hearing tomorrow.

25X1

[redacted]

Assistant Legislative Counsel

Distribution:
Orig. - Subj.
1 - S. 782 file
1 - Chrono

25X1

OLC [redacted] rw (8 Aug 69)

Approved For Release 2007/03/03 : CIA-RDP71B00364R000200070017-1